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The Supreme Court has indicated that the filing of a written opinion in the following case(s) is forthcoming. At the filing time designated below, the filed opinion(s) will be accessible at the judicial branch web site (www.courtinfo.ca.gov) and copies will be made available at the Supreme Court Clerk's Office.

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People v. Modiri (Shea Michael)

S120238 (H023584, Santa Clara County Superior Court – CCO79647) Argued in Los Angeles 6-07-06

This case includes the following issue: Is the so-called "group beating exception" (see People v. Corona (1989) 213 Cal.App.3d 589), as embodied in CALJIC No. 17.20, to the requirement of a finding of personal infliction of great bodily injury for purposes of imposing an enhancement under Penal Code section 12022.7, inconsistent with People v. Cole (1982) 31 Cal.3d 568?

People v. Ramirez (Richard)

S012944 (Los Angeles County Superior Court – A771272) Argued in Los Angeles 6-06-06

The matter is an automatic appeal from a judgment of death.

Regency Outdoor Advertising v. City of Los Angeles

S132619 (B159255, Los Angeles County Superior Court – YC037625) Argued in Los Angeles 6-07-06

This case includes the following issues: (1) Can a plaintiff maintain an action for inverse condemnation for the loss of a "view right" when trees planted by the city on the city's own property obscured the visibility of plaintiff's billboard? (2) Can an award of expert witness fees under Code of Civil Procedure section 998(c)(1) include fees incurred before the offer to compromise was made, or is the award limited to fees incurred after the date of the offer?

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